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TALENT SELECTED FOR OUR COMING LYCEUM COURSE

Attractions For Season of
1916-17 Announced.

ALL TASTES CONSIDERED.

Local Committee Provides Select Year's
Program at Popular Prices.

With more than 15,000 Lyceum courses in the United States, averaging 10,000,000 people the supply of Lyceum, wholesome winter's entertainment in this country is enjoying a substantial and healthy growth. Thousands of towns and cities have learned from experience that a Lyceum course is beneficial to community life in many ways. Only entertainment which is worth while can grow and the test of years as the Lyceum movement has done.

For the coming fall and winter in our community a choice program has been selected by the local auspices, and tickets will be sold at popular prices. A description of each number of this course follows:

OLD HOME SINGERS.

The Old Home Singers, who are to give a big Lyceum season this year, make a specialty in their programs of carrying their audiences back to childhood scenes and recollections.

Of the five young artists who comprise this company each is a soloist of pleasing quality, capable of singing the heart songs. They form a mixed quartet, capable of superb ensemble work. This is evidenced by their artistic rendering of the quartet from "Rigoletto," that they meet the requirements of the program perfectly is shown in the many reports already received from committees.

At the opening of the program the five young people have just returned from a musical where a song composed by one of the young men has proved to be the hit of the season.

Following the congratulations, a discussion starts regarding the music of today. By way of illustration they sing selections from grand opera, oratorio



OLD HOME SINGERS IN THE COSTUMES OF LONG AGO.

music, sentimental ballads, ragtime, topical songs, novelty songs—the different types which are now sung.

These young artists then agree that the most beautiful and best loved of all are the heart songs, which are endeared to us through past association. They plan an evening of the old songs.

The men appear in the costume of 1870 and in a very mirth provoking fashion are trying to accustom themselves to the clothes of their grandfathers. The girls have been rumbaging in the attic and enter beautiful in the quaint dresses of that time, "with sixty yards of lace on the ruffles," as grandmother had said.

The costuming and staging carry us, in fancy, back to the days of long ago. The serious songs, the sentimental, the humorous, the songs we nearly have forgotten, the songs mother used to sing, all come back to give us a variety of program seldom heard today.

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EDWARD AMHERST OTT.

In "Who's Who in America" Edward Amherst Ott is listed prominently as an author, teacher and lecturer. He has had the satisfaction of seeing his popular lectures bear fruit in the way of advanced legislation for the betterment of the American people. His "Sour Grapes" lecture, which deals with heredit, has been given more than 2,000 times; but, whether he gives this lecture or one of his other vital addresses, he is always forceful, entertaining and inspiring.

Mr. Ott's lectures are so arranged as to answer the fundamental inquiries of the mind. More than this, he is always highly entertaining. Although



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known as a purposeful orator, he combines much of humor and interest in each of his lectures.

Three times Mr. Ott was honored with the presidency of the International Lyceum Association. He is author of "How to Gesture," "How to Use the Voice," "Sour Grapes" and other volumes.

Following the appearance of Mr. Ott in an Ohio city, one of the newspapers commented as follows: "This city should be better today, both morally and physically, as a result of Dr. Ott's lecture, 'Sour Grapes.' He opened the eyes of all classes to homely truths, ordinary truths, but truths which need an Ott to give them a picturesque setting."

The Montgomery (Ala.) Advertiser says, "Dr. Ott simply captured every man, woman and child in his audience."

RALPH BINGHAM.

Ralph Bingham, another number on the forthcoming entertainment course, is a humorist who for thirty-five years has been making large audiences laugh and still is in the prime of life. This is accounted for by the fact that his first appearance was at the age of six years, when he traveled as the "Boy Orator of America." His appearances number nearly 10,000.

T. De Witt Talmage, after hearing Bingham, said: "Bless Bingham and



RALPH BINGHAM.

all the apostolic college of humorists. The man that makes me laugh is my benefactor. God bless all skillful punsters, all those who mirthfully surprise us with unusual juxtaposition of words. There is a divine mission."

Mr. Bingham is an impersonator, a humorist, a violinist, a pianist and a vocalist. His wife travels with him and plays the accompaniments for his vocal and violin selections.

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FAIRCHILD LADIES' QUARTET.

The personnel of this company is as follows:

Bessie Fairchild, pianist and soprano; Mildred Mereness, cellist and soprano; Dorothy Fairchild, violinist and contralto; Lela Fairchild, reader, violinist, contralto and pianologist.

The demand among Lyceum committees everywhere for a quartet of ladies who, in addition to being vocalists, are versatile upon orchestral instruments has been insistent during recent years. Few demands of the Lyceum have been more difficult to fill, which accounts for the small number of such companies now on the Redpath list. A company may be found which has the requirements for an instrumental program, but not good vocalists, and vice versa.

The members of the Fairchild Ladies' Quartet are both vocalists and instrumentalists. Their program will include instrumental and vocal quartets, piano, violin, cello, soprano and



FAIRCHILD LADIES' QUARTET.

contralto solos, readings, pianologues, whistling quartets and solos, instrumental duets and trios and vocal duets.

Dorothy Fairchild, the youngest member of the company, began her musical education at the age of seven years and appeared in public recital at the age of nine. She is a pupil of Herbert Butler (American Conservatory, Chicago). Last year she was a member of the Coyle Spring Concert Company.

Lela Fairchild studied expression at the University of Wisconsin and voice with Magnus Schutz of the Sherwood School, Chicago. She was a member of the Spring Concert Company. Bessie Fairchild studied piano with Emil Liebling for a number of years. She has also taken an active part as a member of the Rockford (Ill.) Mendelssohn Club and the Treble Clef Club of Beloit, Wis.

Mildred Mereness studied voice with Magnus Schutz; also the cello with well known Chicago teachers.

THE COLLEGIANS.

Many Lyceum courses never arrange a year's program without including a male quartet. In many places it has come to be looked forward to as much as a Lyceum course itself.

In the Collegians the Redpath Bureau presents a male quartet which renders a program without waits, a



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program in which there is plenty of action.

This type of male quartet has filled an important place in the Lyceum in the last few years, as it combines not only good music, but entertainment of a nature which delights both grownups and children.

The program of the Collegians also will consist not only of vocal quartets and solos, but instrumental numbers as well, still further adding variety to the evening's presentation.

MANY LIKE THIS IN OKOLONA.

Similar Cases Being Published in Each Issue.

The following case is but one of many occurring daily in Okolona. It is an easy matter to verify it. You cannot ask for better proof.

Gilbert Ivy, carpenter, Gatlin St., Okolona, says: "There is no mistake about Doan's Kidney Pills being good. Some year ago I told how they freed me of pains in my back and other symptoms of kidney trouble and today I can freely give them the same praise. Doan's Kidney Pills brought lasting results in my case and I can't do otherwise than endorse them."

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Field Selection of Seed

Agricultural College, Miss., Oct. 1.—That the seed corn campaign for the purpose of stimulating the field selection of sufficient quantities to seed for a 100,000,000-bushel corn crop in 1917 is daily gaining momentum and will result in thousands of "Ole Miss" farmers selecting seed in the field during the next few weeks, is the statement given out here today by Assistant State Agent C. A. Cobb, who is keeping in touch with the work in every part of the state.

There will be no let up in the vigorous campaign for the coming weeks, and all agricultural workers, with the State Bankers Association and other forces, are putting forth renewed efforts. One banker alone is putting bulletins on seed corn selection into the hands of 2,000 farmers in his community.

Summing up the present grain situation and its effect on Mississippi farmers, Mr. Cobb said: "We find that the United States will be short more than a billion bushels of grain this year, including shortage in oats, corn and wheat, and we shall have to grow corn for ourselves because there will not be a sufficient supply from other sections to look to for the present."

"The Argentine corn crop is also short, due to extremely dry weather in that country. The Argentine Republic and the United States together are practically the only exporters of grains, and if there is any considerable demand from other countries it is going to be difficult to supply on account of the shortage. There is only one conclusion, therefore, and that is that grain is going to bring an extremely fancy price. While the Mississippi farmers can take care of part of the home supply by planting fall oats, we must produce a bumper corn crop in 1916, in keeping with our slogan of 'One hundred million bushels.'"

"In order to make the seed corn selection campaign as definite as possible, at our meetings now being held by our workers hundreds of farmers are pledging themselves to select seed in the fields. Already I have been in many fields where such selection has been made. One corn club boy, who is now a student at the A. and M. College, spent the last several days of his vacation in helping the farmers in his community in selecting seed for another year."

"Seed corn will be scarce and it behooves every farmer to save enough for the principal part of his own crop. It is also wise to buy a few pecks of highly bred corn to plant a special seed patch for the coming year."

To those farmers who want to select seed in the fields, Mr. Cobb is offering the following suggestions:

1. The seed stalk should be from eight to ten feet tall.
2. The base of the stalk should be large and somewhat flat.
3. The blades of the seed stalk should be broad and long.

4. The seed stalk should taper gently from the base to the tassel.

5. In all prolific varieties there should be at least two fully developed ears to each stalk.

6. The ears on the seed stalk should be well placed, one on each side of the stalk, about four feet from the ground.

7. The seed ears should be borne upon short, stout shanks four or five inches long, that permit the ears to hang down.

8. The stalks from which seed ears are to be selected should not occupy more than normal room, should not stand at the end of skips, nor at the end of the row. Select a stalk that has fought its way and won.

9. Every stalk in the vicinity of the seed stalk should be well fruited. If barren or weak stalks stand near a normal stalk, the ears from the normal stalks will not be suitable for seed.

10. Be careful to select stalks that are free from disease and that do not stand near diseased stalks.

11. Every seed ear should be snugly covered by the shuck.—Commercial Appeal.

Five Captains

Here is an interesting clipping from an American publication in the year 1854. It is entitled "Five Captains."

There were five captains chanced to meet—one Russian, one Turk, one Frenchman, one American and one Englishman. One of these captains proposed a champagne supper, each one to give a toast to his own native country, or pay for the wine drinks.

The Russian—"Here is to the stars and bars of Russia, that were never pulled down."

The Turk—"Here is to the moons of Turkey whose corners were never clipped."

The Frenchman—"Here is to the cock of France, whose feathers were never picked."

The American—"Here is to the stars and strips of the United States of America, who never failed to defeat."

The Englishman—"Here is to the rampant, rip roaring lion of Great Britain, that tore down the stars and bars of Russia, clipped the wings of Turkey, picked the feathers of the cock of France and ran like h-l from the stars and strips of the United States of America."—Ex.

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To the Property Owners of Okolona:

In as much as the impression seems to have gone abroad that the time in which property owners will be required to connect with the City Sewer System will be extended, I think it proper to make this statement.

The ordinance requires all connections to be made on or before January 1st, 1917, and fixes a penalty for failure to connect within the time limit.

There is no disposition on the part of the City Council to extend this time, and any statement to the contrary is in error. There are now several plumbers in the City who will do the work properly, and will make reasonable terms of payment to property owners, and I urge property owners to make their contracts as soon as practicable. Those who delay may find themselves in the hands of a monopoly. While those who act promptly have the benefit of free competition.

Any property owner who is unable to make arrangements for connection is invited to confer with the Mayor. All others are urged to make contracts, and have their connections made at once.

R. J. WEST, Mayor.

Beulah Holder Missionary Society

The "Beulah Holder" Missionary Society met with Mrs. C. L. McWilliams last Monday afternoon. The meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Seymour Jones, using Luke 18: 18-30. Then followed a chain of prayer. Several fine papers were read: "What is christian fellowship" by Miss Clemmie Cox, "Social Life in Cuba" by Mrs. Henderson and "Our Responsibility" by Mrs. Hagge.

A poem, "A Methodist Preacher," was recited by little Christine Glidewell and much appreciated.

Our mite boxes were opened, \$3.11 which did well for us. Mrs. McWilliams gave us much pleasure with a beautiful hymn on he Victrola. The refreshments were delicious and were beautifully served.

After a rising vote of thanks, we adjourned to meet the first Monday in November with Mrs. A. T. Gregory. XXX

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